# INDIANA AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION GOVERNOR'S CUP

### AMBULANCE SERVICE COMPETITION

TO: INDIANA AMBULANCE SERVICE PROVIDERS

FROM: ROBIN STUMP, COMPETITION MANAGER

RE: GOVERNOR'S CUP AMBULANCE SERVICE COMPETITION

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The Indiana Ambulance Association is proud to announce the annual Governor's Cup Ambulance Service Provider Competition in conjunction with the Emergency Response Conference and Expo.

Please read the enclosed information and make plans now to participate. This is your chance to demonstrate that your service really is the best. If you have any questions, please call me at 1-800-666-7784.

PRELIMINARIES WILL BE HELD ON September 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

FINALS WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2008

CONFERENCE IS SEPTEMBER 18, 19 & 20, 2008

#### AMBULANCE SERVICE COMPETITION RULES

- 1. All teams shall be comprised of exactly two (2) individuals, and cannot compete at a level lower than their certification.
- 2. Each team shall wear uniforms of the provider that they are representing. (Uniforms may become soiled or torn during the competition).
- 3. Each team member shall provide their own bandage shears, penlight, stethoscope, and inclement weather gear.
- 4. All ambulances used in the competition will be provided by The Indiana Ambulance Association, and will be equipped with the minimum medical and extrication equipment required.
- 5. Each team will have 30 minutes to inspect and arrange the equipment in any configuration. Each team will be given 20 minutes to compete during the preliminaries, and 15 minutes to compete during the finals.
- 6. Each team will be evaluated by three (3) judges. The decision of the judges is final.
- 7. Each team shall be sequestered during each period of preliminary and final competition. Teams will not be allowed to communicate with anyone except as determined by a competition official.
- 8. Each team will be notified as to when and where to report for competition. Failure to report on time will make the team eligible for disqualification.
- 9. Preliminary competition will be closed to the general public.
- 10. Competition will be held regardless of weather conditions.
- 11. Results of the preliminary competition will be posted by 2:00 p.m. on Friday following the preliminaries. Results will be available at 317-232-2471.
- 12. Competition finals will be conducted on Thursday, September 18, 2008. (This is the first day of Conference)
- 13. Any team caught cheating for any reason, by any means, or demonstrating inappropriate behavior will be disqualified.
- 14. Any team and/or provider disqualified for any reason may not compete in next year's competition.
- 15. All disputes will be settled by the competition manager. All decisions are final.
- 16. ALL PAGERS, CELL PHONES, RADIOS, ETC.... MUST BE LEFT IN YOUR CAR.

#### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

#### **HOW TO ENTER:**

- 1. The entry fee is \$100.00 per team.
- 2. Providers must enter the competition by completing the enclosed entry blank and sending a check, money order, or purchase order (no cash) payable to:

Emergency Response Conference PO Box 34611 Indianapolis, IN 46234-0611

- 3. Competition will be limited to 40 teams. Enter early to ensure a spot.
- 4. Entry form and fee must be received no later than August 22, 2008. No refund will be made for teams canceling after August 25, 2008, or in case of disqualification.
- 5. Further information on when and where to report for competition will be sent after entry forms are received.

#### WHO MAY COMPETE

- 1. Any Indiana certified EMS Provider may compete.
- 2. A provider may enter one team per level of care provided. Additional teams may be accepted only on the day immediately following the entry deadline.
- 3. EMT Basic-Advanced teams can be comprised of either two (2) individuals certified at the EMT Basic-Advanced level, or one (1) certified EMT Basic-Advanced and one (1) certified EMT.
- 4. EMT-Intermediate teams can be comprised of either two (2) individuals certified at the EMT-Intermediate level, or one (1) EMT-Intermediate and one (1) certified EMT Basic-Advanced, or one (1) certified EMT-Intermediate and one (1) certified EMT.
- 5. Paramedic teams can be comprised of either two (2) individuals certified at the paramedic level, or one (1) paramedic and one (1) EMT Intermediate, or one (1) certified paramedic and one (1) EMT Basic-Advanced certified, or one (1) certified paramedic and one (1) certified EMT.
- 6. An individual cannot compete at a level lower than their certification, or perform skills beyond a level at which they were trained.

#### **COMPETITION:**

During the preliminary competition, each team will have 20 minutes to evaluate an emergency situation, assess, triage, and package the patient for transportation. (During the finals there will be 15 minutes for the same purpose). A team of judges, chosen for their expertise and knowledge in EMS education, will judge the entire performance of the team. Each judge's evaluation will be totaled and the team score will be recorded. At the end of the preliminaries, the three teams finishing highest in each category will compete in the finals to determine the winners in each category.

#### SCHEDULE:

In order to ensure a smooth and efficient competition, the preliminary competition will be divided into four (4) separate periods of time.

Period 1: Wednesday, September 10, 2008 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Period 2: Wednesday, September 10, 2008 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

(Periods 3 & 4 will only happen if more than 22 teams compete)

Period 3: Thursday, September 11, 2008 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Period 4: Thursday, September 11, 2008 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Teams will compete during a specific time period. Each team will arrive no later than 7 a.m. on the morning sessions, and 1:00 p.m. on the afternoon sessions. Teams may be sequestered for up to six (6) hours. Teams may be competing late in the time periods, and are encouraged to bring things to occupy the waiting time such as reading material, card games, etc. You may wish to bring your own snacks and soft drinks, as they will not be available in the building. No communication to anyone other than a competition official will be permitted.

#### PRIZES:

FIRST PLACE Governor's Cup Trophy (Traveling trophy displayed for one year)

First place plaque to the ambulance service provider.

First place plaque to each team member.

SECOND PLACE Second place plaque to the ambulance service provider.

Second place plaque to each team member.

THIRD PLACE Third place plaque to the ambulance service provider.

Third place plaque to each team member.

PARTICIPANTS All participating teams will receive a certificate.

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## Indiana Ambulance Association Governor's Cup Ambulance Service Competition

## **Entry Form**

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